

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(3)

TO: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: March 17, 2026

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution approving and authorizing the County Mayor to execute an agreement with Action for Progress Institute for the development of a strategic plan to improve the provision of behavioral health services throughout Miami Dade County and advance model behavioral health care payment reform measures, in the amount of \$50,000.00, for a three-month term with two options to extend each for a term of three months; and waiving Implementing Order 3-38

This item was amended at the March 9, 2026 Safety and Health Committee meeting to add a waiver of Implementing Order 3-38 and make conforming changes to the title.

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Senator René García.



Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

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Please note any items checked.

- _____ **“3-Day Rule” for committees applicable if raised**
- _____ **6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing**
- _____ **4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing**
- _____ **Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget**
- _____ **Budget required**
- _____ **Statement of fiscal impact required**
- _____ **Statement of social equity required**
- _____ **Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor’s report for public hearing**
- _____ **No committee review**
- _____ **Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3’s present ____, 2/3 membership ____, 3/5’s ____, unanimous ____, majority plus one ____, CDMP 7 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) ____, CDMP 2/3 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3) (h) or (4)(c) ____, CDMP 9 vote requirement per 2-116.1(4)(c) (2) ____)** to approve
- _____ **Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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3-17-26

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR’S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH ACTION FOR PROGRESS INSTITUTE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A STRATEGIC PLAN TO IMPROVE THE PROVISION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES THROUGHOUT MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND ADVANCE MODEL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE PAYMENT REFORM MEASURES, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000.00, FOR A THREE-MONTH TERM WITH TWO OPTIONS TO EXTEND EACH FOR A TERM OF THREE MONTHS; AND WAIVING IMPLEMENTING ORDER 3-38

WHEREAS, according to U.S. Census Bureau estimates, in 2024 approximately 2,838,461 individuals resided in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, the National Alliance on Mental Illness Florida (“NAMI”) reports that one in four adults in the United States experience some form of mental illness each year; and

WHEREAS, NAMI also reports that four million children and adolescents in this country suffer from a serious mental health disorder that causes significant functional impairments at home, at school, and with peers; and

WHEREAS, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, mental health disorders account for more disability than any other illness, including cancer and heart disease; and

WHEREAS, individuals with mental health disorders—diagnosed or undiagnosed—are our friends, family, neighbors, classmates, and co-workers; and

WHEREAS, enhancing the availability, accessibility, and quality of treatment options for individuals who have experienced or are experiencing a behavioral health episode or illness is a priority of this Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board's creation and support of the Miami-Dade County Behavioral Health Advisory Board ("Behavioral Health Advisory Board") is a clear and notable demonstration of its commitment to improving behavioral health outcomes in our community; and

WHEREAS, Action for Progress Institute ("A4P") is a 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) entity established, in part, to accelerate solutions, elevate best practices, and advance meaningful, system-wide reform to address the mental health and substance abuse crises in the nation; and

WHEREAS, A4P intends to transform the behavioral health system of care by aligning policy with purpose and developing and implementing evidence-based policy solutions; and

WHEREAS, specifically, A4P aims to unite leaders across sectors in strategic collaborations grounded in a shared commitment to equity, access, and quality care across the behavioral health continuum; and

WHEREAS, such efforts are expected to enhance service delivery, increase patient engagement and compliance, and reduce recidivism; and

WHEREAS, to drive such change, the A4P initiative prioritizes the following core areas:

- (1) Payment - Advancing payment structures that support the delivery of high-quality, cost-effective care that reduces overall costs but are underutilized;
- (2) Quality Outcomes - Driving consensus on the definition and measurement of quality and outcomes in behavioral health;

- (3) Workforce - Developing a pipeline and supports for behavioral health workers, including important specialties like pediatric or Substance Use Disorder specialists, community health workers, and peer support specialists;
- (4) Data Infrastructure - Improving data sharing across physical, behavioral, and social health systems to promote whole-person, integrated care and value-based reimbursement; and
- (5) Access to Evidence-Based Care - Promoting wide-spread adoption of innovative, evidence-based treatments, and preventive services that improve outcomes for priority populations; and

WHEREAS, by aligning policy with purpose, A4P seeks to transform the delivery of behavioral health services and effect positive, sustainable change for individuals and families impacted by behavioral health conditions, as well as the communities in which they live and work; and

WHEREAS, A4P intends to accomplish these transformational goals by developing a comprehensive strategic plan that will establish a countywide framework for behavioral health services, integrating data systems, and aligning payment reform to improve the quality of behavioral health services and supports, strengthen patient and family outcomes, and coordinate payment incentives across the Miami-Dade County ecosystem; and

WHEREAS, the creation of actionable, system-level insight across the County's behavioral health ecosystem will enable hospitals, community providers, housing partners, and justice-involved programs to deliver timely, appropriate, and lower-acuity behavioral health care in the least restrictive settings; and

WHEREAS, a particular focus on housing stability, a core tenet of the initiative, will improve continuity of care and reduce cycling between hospitals, shelters, and the justice system, ultimately supporting safer discharges and sustained recovery in the community; and

WHEREAS, A4P aims to improve overall health outcomes for individuals through stronger connections to peer support services and purposeful activities, including vocational training, skill-building, and employment pathways that promote stability, motivation, and long-term recovery goals; and

WHEREAS, further, contracting with A4P is an investment that could increase the County's competitiveness for future funding opportunities and better position it to secure new funding for the behavioral health services and supports reflected in the plan; and

WHEREAS, at its December 11, 2025 meeting, the Behavioral Health Advisory Board unanimously adopted a motion in support of the County collaborating with A4P; and

WHEREAS, \$428,000.00 was appropriated to the Behavioral Health Advisory Board in the FY 2025-2026 Budget, and \$50,000.00 of such funding shall be allocated for the cost of the plan; and

WHEREAS, this Board recognizes that strengthening the delivery, coordination, and accessibility of behavioral health services in Miami-Dade County can reduce homelessness, avoidable hospitalizations, and the criminalization of individuals experiencing behavioral health episodes or illnesses; and

WHEREAS, enhanced diversion, and stabilization pathways can further decrease emergency department utilization, homelessness-driven crises, and criminal justice encounters; and

WHEREAS, this Board supports and joins A4P in its efforts to advance evidence-based, equitable, and integrated behavioral health care and authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to execute the Agreement for Services attached hereto and incorporated herein as Attachment A,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board>>:

Section 1. Approves<<¹ ~~[[approves]]~~ and authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to execute an agreement, in substantially the form attached hereto and incorporated herein as Attachment A, with Action for Progress Institute for the development of a strategic plan to improve the provision of behavioral health services throughout Miami-Dade County and advance model behavioral health care payment reform measures, in the amount of \$50,000.00, for a three-month term with two options to extend each for a term of three months.

>>**Section 2.** Waives Implementing Order 3-38.<<

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Senator René García. It was offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Anthony Rodriguez, Chairman	
Kionne L. McGhee, Vice Chairman	
Marleine Bastien	Juan Carlos Bermudez
Sen. René García	Oliver G. Gilbert, III
Roberto J. Gonzalez	Keon Hardemon
Danielle Cohen Higgins	Vicki L. Lopez
Natalie Milian Orbis	Raquel A. Regalado
Micky Steinberg	

¹ Committee amendments are indicated as follows: Words stricken through and/or ~~[[double bracketed]]~~ are deleted, words underscored and/or >>double arrowed<< are added.

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 17th day of March, 2026. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.



Shanika A. Graves
Leigh C. Kobrinski
Anita Viciano Zapata

Agreement for Services

This Agreement for Advisory Services (“Agreement”) is made as of the ____ day of _____, 2026 (the “Effective Date”) by and between Action for Progress Institute, a District of Columbia non-profit organization having its principal place of business at 601 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Suite 520, Washington, DC 20001 (“A4P Institute”) and Miami-Dade County, a political subdivision in the State of Florida, having its principal place of business at 701 NW 1st Street, 10th Floor, Miami, FL 33136, (“the County”).

Terms:

1. Performance of Services

- a. A4P Institute shall draft a strategic plan for the **Miami-Dade County Data Interoperability and Payment Model Reform Demonstration Project** and perform the services as described and denoted in **Exhibit A: Scope of Work** (the “Services”), which is attached to and incorporated in this Agreement by reference, for and on behalf of the County. A4P Institute agrees to perform the Services in a professional manner. The Services shall substantially be performed by A4P Institute professional staff. The Services to be performed by A4P Institute may be modified or amended by a written agreement, executed by the County and A4P Institute.
- b. The plan, as described in detail in Exhibit A, Scope of Work, will include all necessary documents for implementation. In the event, any documents are missing or any documents are unacceptable to the County in the County’s reasonable judgment, the County will describe in sufficient detail why the County believes the documents are missing or unacceptable, and A4P Institute will supplement the plan to address the County’s stated concerns, including to provide any missing documents, at no additional cost to the County.
- c. In the event the plan, in whole or part, is unacceptable to the County in the County’s reasonable judgment, the County will describe in sufficient detail why the County believes the plan is unacceptable, and A4P Institute shall, at no additional cost to the County, revise or modify the plan to address the County’s stated reasons until it is approved, such approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

2. Public Records

This Agreement may be subject to the provisions, limitations and exceptions of chapter 119, Florida Statutes, regarding Public Records. If A4P Institute meets the definition of “contractor” as defined in section 119.0701, Florida Statutes, A4P Institute shall allow public access to all documents, papers, letters, electronic communications, maps, books, tapes, photographs, films and video recordings, sound recordings, data processing software, or other material, regardless of the physical form, characteristics or means of transmission, made or received, pursuant to law or ordinance or in connection with the transaction of official business (“Public Records”) made or received by A4P Institute in connection with this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Public Records which are made confidential or exempt from Public Record disclosure by law must

be protected from disclosure and include but is not limited to criminal history information derived from the U.S. Department of Justice. Failure of A4P Institute to allow such public access shall result in the immediate termination of this Agreement or any renewal. A4P Institute shall maintain Public Records stored in electronic record keeping systems in accordance with chapter 119, Florida Statutes, and rule IB-26.003 of the Florida Administrative Code.

- a. Pursuant to section 119.0701, Florida Statutes, as applicable, A4P Institute shall:
 - (1) Keep and maintain Public Records required by the County to perform the Services under this Agreement;
 - (2) Upon request from the County's custodian of Public Records, provide the County with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in this chapter or as otherwise provided by law;
 - (3) Ensure that Public Records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from Public Records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the Agreement term and following completion of the Agreement if A4P Institute does not transfer the records to the County; and
 - (4) Meet all requirements for retaining Public Records and transfer to the County, at no cost to the County, all Public Records created, received, maintained and or directly related to the performance of this Agreement that are in possession of the A4P Institute upon termination of this Agreement. Upon termination of this Agreement, the A4P Institute shall destroy any duplicate Public Records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from Public Records disclosure requirements. All records stored electronically must be provided to the County, upon request from the County's custodian of Public Records, in a format that is compatible with the County's information technology systems.

IF A4P INSTITUTE HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO A4P INSTITUTE'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS FOR THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT AT: CSD PUBLIC RECORDS CUSTODIAN; TELEPHONE: 786-469-4650; AND EMAIL: CSDPublicRecordsRequest@miamidade.gov.

In the event the A4P Institute does not comply with the Public Records disclosure requirement set forth in section 119.0701, Florida Statutes, and this section of this Agreement, the County shall avail itself of the remedies set forth in **section 5. Monetary Damages and Right to Specific Performance and Section 8. Term and Termination of this Agreement**. Additionally, failure to comply with providing Public Records as required by law may subject A4P Institute to penalties under section 119.10, Florida Statutes. In the event A4P Institute fails to meet any of these provisions or fails to comply with Florida's Public Records laws, A4P Institute shall be responsible for indemnifying the County in any resulting litigation, including all final appeals, and A4P Institute shall defend its claim that any Public Record is confidential, trade secret, or otherwise exempt from inspection and copying under Florida's Public Records laws.

3. Independent Contractors

This Agreement does not constitute and shall not be construed as constituting a partnership or joint venture between A4P Institute and the County, or as designating either as agent of the other. A4P Institute shall have no right to obligate or bind the County in any manner whatsoever other than in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, and nothing herein contained shall give or is intended to give any rights of any kind to third parties.

4. Materials and Intellectual Property

All final materials, exclusive of any underlying methodological methods of analysis or general analytical frameworks, produced by A4P Institute in connection with its obligations hereunder shall be the property of the County.

5. Monetary Damages and Right to Specific Performance

In the event the County terminates this Agreement prior to completion of the plan due to A4P Institute's breach or any other failure to comply with the terms of this Agreement, the County shall be entitled to receive all data, work product, and materials prepared for the plan—excluding the materials identified in Section 4—through the date of termination. A4P Institute shall also return to the County a pro rata refund of the project fee corresponding to the uncompleted the work.

The parties understand and agree that money damages may not be a sufficient remedy for the breach of the provisions of this Agreement, and that each party shall be entitled to seek injunctive relief as a remedy for any such breach by the other party, including but not limited to specific performance. Such remedy shall not be deemed to be the exclusive remedy for any such breach hereunder but shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity.

6. Limitation of Liability & Indemnification

Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the County and its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities from any and all liability, losses or damages, including attorneys' fees and costs of defense, which the County or its officers, employees, agents or instrumentalities may incur as a result of claims, demands, suits, causes of actions or proceedings of any kind or nature (collectively, "Claims") in connection with the performance of this Agreement by the Contractor or its employees, agents, servants, partners principals or subcontractors. Contractor shall pay all claims and losses in connection therewith and shall investigate and defend all claims, suits or actions of any kind or nature in the name of the County, where applicable, including appellate proceedings, and shall pay all costs, judgments, and attorney's fees which may issue thereon, except to the extent any such Claims are due to the negligence or other fault of the County or its officers, employees, agents or instrumentalities. Contractor expressly understands and agrees that any insurance protection required by this Agreement or otherwise provided by the Contractor shall in no way limit the responsibility to indemnify, keep and save harmless and defend the County or its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities as herein provided.

The Contractor shall furnish to the **Community Services Department, 701 NW 1st Street, Miami FL, 33136**, Certificate(s) of Insurance which indicate that insurance coverage has been obtained which meets the requirements as outlined below:

- a. Worker's Compensation Insurance for all employees of the Contractor as required by Florida Statute 440.
- b. Commercial General Liability in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence, and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate not to exclude Products & Completed Operations. Miami-Dade County must be shown as an additional insured with respect to this coverage.
- c. Cyber Liability Insurance in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence.
- d. Professional Liability Insurance in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 per claim.

If additional services which would include the use of vehicles are required the Contractor shall furnish to **Community Services Department, 701 NW 1st Street, Miami FL, 33136**, Certificate(s) of Insurance which indicate that insurance coverage has been obtained which meets the requirement as outlined above letter A-C and below:

- a. Automobile Liability Insurance covering all owned, non-owned and hired vehicles, in an amount not less than \$300,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.

All insurance policies required above shall be issued by companies authorized to do business under the laws of the State of Florida, with the following qualifications:

The company must be rated no less than "A-" as to management, and no less than "Class VII" as to financial strength, by Best's Insurance Guide, published by A.M. Best Company, Oldwick, New Jersey, or its equivalent, subject to the approval of the County Risk Management Division.

or

The company must hold a valid Florida Certificate of Authority as shown in the latest "List of All Insurance Companies Authorized or Approved to Do Business in Florida" issued by the State of Florida Department of Financial Services.

Miami-Dade County reserves the right, upon reasonable notice, to request and examine the policies of insurance (including but not limited to policies, binders, amendments, exclusions or riders, etc.).

NOTE: CERTIFICATE HOLDER MUST READ:

**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
111 NW 1st STREET
SUITE 2340
MIAMI, FL 33128**

7. Compensation Schedule

As compensation for all Services to be rendered by A4P Institute during the term of this

Agreement, the County shall pay to A4P Institute the fees specified in **Exhibit B Fees and Out of Pocket Expenses**, which is attached to and incorporated in this Agreement by reference, in accordance with the payment schedule set forth therein.

8. Term and Termination

- a. The “**Term**” of this Agreement will become effective upon execution by all parties and remain in effect for three months from that date, or until otherwise terminated under the terms of this Section. This Agreement may be extended for two successive three-month terms upon mutual written consent of the parties.
- b. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, either party may terminate this Agreement at any time, with or without cause, upon sixty (60) business days’ notice to the other. In the event of a termination, the County shall pay all fees and expenses then due and owing through the date of termination (prorated through the date of termination). Notwithstanding the foregoing, either party may terminate this Agreement immediately, upon providing notice in accordance with section 9. f., in the event of a breach of this Agreement by either party.

9. Miscellaneous Provisions.

- a. *Entire Agreement:* This Agreement sets forth the entire understanding between the parties concerning the subject matter of this Agreement and incorporates all prior negotiations and understandings. There are no covenants, promises, agreements, conditions, or understandings, either oral or written, between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement, other than those set forth herein.
- b. *Assignment:* This Agreement shall not be assigned, sublet, delegated, or transferred by any party without the prior written consent of the other party.
- c. *Governing Law:* This Agreement is executed and delivered in the District of Columbia, and it will be governed by, construed and administered in accordance with, the laws of the District of Columbia, without regard to District of Columbia’s conflict of laws’ provisions.
- d. *Promotional Materials:* Neither party shall use the name, trademark, or logo of the other party or its employees for promotional purposes without prior written consent of the other party. Nor shall either party disclose the terms of this Agreement except as required by law or pursuant to prior written consent of the other party.
- e. *No Protected Health Information or Personal Information:* No protected health information (PHI) or personal information (PI) shall be shared under this Agreement.
- f. *Notices:* All notices, requests, demands, and other formal communications required or permitted hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if delivered using electronic mail, by hand, or by a delivery service and receipted for, or mailed, certified or registered mail, with postage prepaid:

If to A4P Institute to:

Action for Progress Institute
c/o Healthsperien, LLC
Attn: Ray Quintero
601 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Suite 520
Washington, DC 20001

With a copy to: Andrew MacPherson (same address as above)

If to Miami-Dade County to:

Miami-Dade County Behavioral Health Advisory Board
Attn: Senator Rene Garcia
County Commissioner District 13
111 NW 1st St
Miami, FL 33128

and

Miami-Dade County Behavioral Health Advisory Board
Amanda Dominguez
701 NW 1st Street, 10th Floor
Miami FL, 33136

or to such other person or address as A4P Institute or the County shall furnish in writing.

- g. This Agreement and all of the provisions hereof shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns.
- h. *Execution*: This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Execution may be by electronic signatures and effected by delivery of electronically scanned signature pages.
- i. *Headings*: The headings of the paragraphs of this Agreement are inserted for convenience only and shall not constitute a part hereof or affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.
- j. *Third Parties*: Except as specifically set forth or referred to herein, nothing herein expressed or implied is intended or shall be construed to confer upon or give to any person or corporation other than the parties hereto and their successors or assigns any rights or remedies under or by reason of this Agreement.
- k. *Construction*: The language used in this Agreement shall be deemed to be in the language chosen by the parties hereto to express their mutual intent, and no rule of strict construction shall be applied against any party.

- l. *Severability*: Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement shall be interpreted in such a manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law. In the event that a court of competent jurisdiction holds any provision of this Agreement to be invalid, such holding shall have no effect on the remaining provisions of this Agreement, and they shall continue in full force and effect.
- m. *Survival*. The provisions of this Agreement that by their nature are intended to continue in their effect following expiration or termination of this Agreement shall survive any such expiration or termination.
- n. *Force Majeure*: In the event either party is prevented from fulfilling its obligations hereunder by reason of events or causes beyond its reasonable control, such as acts of war, terrorism, explosion, fire, flood, earthquake, or other natural disaster, or by reason of Internet service limitations or interruptions of service that are outside its control, such obligation which cannot be performed shall be delayed until it can be performed. Notwithstanding the above, in no event shall any delay exceed nine months from the Effective Date of this Agreement. If A4P Institute claims excusable delay, it shall promptly notify the County of such delay.
- o. A4P Institute certifies it has never been sanctioned, suspended, excluded or otherwise made ineligible from participating in a federal or state health care program, such as Medicare or Medicaid. A4P Institute shall immediately notify the County of any action, investigation or proceeding that could affect or has affected A4P Institute's ability to participate in any federal or state health care program. A violation of this provision is cause for immediate termination of this Agreement.
- p. *Human Trafficking*: By entering into, amending, or renewing this Agreement, A4P Institute is obligated to comply with the provisions of section 787.06, Florida Statutes, "Human Trafficking," as amended, which is deemed as being incorporated by reference in this Agreement. This compliance includes A4P Institute providing an affidavit, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit C, that it does not use coercion for labor or services. This Agreement may be void if A4P Institute submits a false affidavit or if A4P Institute violates section 787.06, Florida Statutes, during the term of this contract, even if A4P Institute was not in violation at the time it submitted its affidavit.
- q. *Contracting with Entities of Foreign Countries of Concern Prohibited*: By submitting a bid, quote, or other response, or otherwise entering into, a contract for these Services, A4P Institute affirms that it is not in violation of section 287.138, Florida Statutes, titled "Contracting with Entities of Foreign Countries of Concern Prohibited." This affirmation by A4P Institute shall be in the form attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit D.

SIGNATURES FOLLOW ON NEXT PAGE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, A4P Institute and Miami-Dade County have caused this Agreement to be signed by their duly authorized representatives effective as of the Effective Date indicated above.

AGREED AND ACKNOWLEDGED:

Miami-Dade County

By: _____

Its: _____

Date: _____

Action for Progress Institute

Ray Quintero

By: Ray Quintero

Its: President

Date: February 24, 2026

Exhibit A: Scope of Work

Project Overview:

A4P shall work with Miami-Dade County and its Behavioral Health Advisory Board, along with the Public Health Trust of Miami-Dade County and public and private behavioral health stakeholders—including partners from the criminal justice system, Federally Qualified Health Centers, and community-based organizations—to develop a comprehensive strategic plan for the **Miami-Dade County Data Interoperability and Payment Model Reform Demonstration Project**. The plan will establish a countywide framework that integrates data systems and aligns payment reform to improve behavioral health quality, strengthen patient and family outcomes, and coordinate payment incentives across the Miami-Dade County ecosystem. The resulting model can serve as a national framework for behavioral health services.

As provided below, the plan will include a recommended public-private partnership (PPP) governance structure and required agreements, detailed 3-year operating budget for the PPP, public and private funding opportunities, targeted local philanthropic support, required technical infrastructure for data management, payment model and essentials to effectuate, required benchmarks and other metrics, and goals for patient and family outcomes.

Specifically, the plan will provide a blueprint to:

- 1) Address misalignment and siloes of incentives to drive quality outcomes for the Serious Mental Illness (SMI) and Substance Use Disorder (SUD) populations.
- 2) Establish a regional PPP to aggregate data across behavioral health care providers, acute care settings, criminal justice system, housing and regional managed care payors.
- 3) Develop the blueprint to secure public funding (federal, state + innovation grants) and private sector support and philanthropy to accelerate the public-private partnership and serve as a model demonstration project for national reform.

Key deliverables of the plan (developed to be administered and implemented by the PPP) include:

1. PPP Charter and Goals
 - a. Target Population – SMI and SUD populations (age TBD)
 - b. Governance Framework
 - c. Patient and Family Target Outcomes
 - d. Payor Engagement
2. Stakeholder Analysis
 - a. Federally Qualified Health Centers, Clinics and Health Systems
 - b. Behavioral Health Providers
 - c. Regional Managed Care Payors
 - d. Criminal Justice
 - e. Housing and Homeless Shelters
 - f. Faith Based Community (e.g. Agape)

3. Three-Year Operating Budget
 - a. Identification and Assessment of Relevant Public Funding Opportunities, including but not limited to:
 - i. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Innovation (CMMI)
 - ii. Advanced Research Project Agency for Health
 - iii. Florida Agency for Healthcare Administration
 - iv. Florida Department of Health
 - v. Florida Department of Children and Families
 - vi. CMMI Behavioral Health Model
 - vii. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
 - b. Private Sector Contributions
 - i. Payor Grants, Technical Assistance and Additional Contributions
 - ii. Local Employers
 - c. Philanthropic Asks
4. Technical Infrastructure Requirements
 - a. Technology Partner Scope
 - b. Alignment with Federal Behavioral Health Information Technology Initiative
5. Communications Plan
 - a. Share Relevant Project Updates to Key Stakeholders (policymakers, payers, employers, etc.)
 - b. Disseminate Key Findings
6. Payment Model Reform Framework
 - a. Establish a Regional Public-Private Partnership whose membership includes:
 - i. County Commission and Local Governmental Entities;
 - ii. Regional Managed Care Payors
 - iii. Health Plan(s) and SMI/SUD Payor (e.g. Public Health Trust);
 - iv. Acute Care Providers/Emergency Departments;
 - v. Behavioral Health Providers (Psychiatric Inpatient Residential Treatment Facilities, Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics, Community Mental Health Centers, and Telehealth);
 - vi. Primary Care/Federally Qualified Health Centers; and
 - vii. Criminal Justice and Social Supports.
 - b. Deploy Evidence Based Interventions with Modern Behavioral Health Infrastructure/Data Architecture using:
 - i. Tech-Enabled Measurement Informed Care;
 - ii. Defined Clinical Care Pathways;
 - iii. Regional Health Information Exchange;
 - iv. Interoperability Framework (e.g. Trusted Exchange Framework and Common Agreement); and
 - v. Proper Patient Privacy Safeguards and Consents (e.g. 42 CFR Part 2 and Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act.
 - c. Demonstrate Return On Investment for Broader Payment Model Reform by:
 - i. Designing with Pay for Value/Outcome Based Financing Feasibility for Broader Scaling;
 - ii. Utilizing Claims and Electronic Health Record Data;

- iii. Providing Patient and Family Reported Outcomes;
- iv. Reporting and Incorporating Functional Outcomes (Return to Work, Recidivism, Reduced Crisis Episodes); and
- v. Returning Savings to the State/Purchaser.

The plan will be used to scale a Behavioral Health Learning Health System Approach to defining quality, patient and family outcomes and aligned payment incentives across behavioral healthcare, physical healthcare, public health, criminal justice system, education department, social supports and other key community stakeholders. Thereafter, a local entity can provide technological infrastructure and support and manage key payor-provider relationships.

Exhibit B: Fees and Out of Pocket Expenses

Fees and out-of-pocket expenses. The County will pay A4P Institute a project fee of \$50,000, payable within 30 days of receipt of the plan.

All payments must be processed via bank transfer or be subject to an additional 10 percent check fee.



KIDNAPPING, CUSTODY OFFENSES, HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND RELATED OFFENSES AFFIDAVIT

The Kidnapping, Custody Offenses, Human Trafficking and Related Offenses Affidavit is required by Section [787.06](#), Florida Statutes ("F.S."), as amended by [HB 7063](#), which is deemed as being expressly incorporated into this Form. The Form must be completed by a person authorized to make this attestation on behalf of the Contractor (Nongovernmental Entity) for the purpose of executing, amending, or renewing a Contract with the County (Governmental Entity). The term Governmental Entity has the same meaning as in [Section 287.138\(1\), F.S.](#)

does not use coercion for labor or services as defined in Section [787.06, F.S.](#)
Contractor's Legal Company Name

Pursuant to Section [92.525, F.S.](#), under the penalties of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing statement and that the facts stated in it are true.

Print Name of Contractor's Authorized Representative:

Title of Contractor's Authorized Representative:

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Representative:

Date:



HUMAN TRAFFICKING AFFIDAVIT

The Human Trafficking Affidavit is required by Section [787.06](#), Florida Statutes ("F.S."), as amended by [HB 7063](#), which is deemed as being expressly incorporated into this Form. The Form must be completed by a person authorized to make this attestation on behalf of the Contractor (Nongovernmental Entity) for the purpose of executing, amending, or renewing a Contract with the County (Governmental Entity). The associated Contract shall not become effective unless and until this completed and executed Form is submitted to the County (Governmental Entity). The term Governmental Entity has the same meaning as in [Section 287.138\(1\), F.S.](#)

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